

REMARKS

Rejections Under 35 USC 112.

The Examiner suggested amendments for claims 11 and 12 that would overcome these rejections. The applicant's have incorporated those amendments into the claims. Therefore, rejections under 35 USC 112 should be overcome.

Rejections Under 35 USC 103

At item 6 of the present final office action, the Examiner said that claim 12 would be allowable if rewritten to include the recitations of claim 11 and to overcome the 112 rejections. As noted, the 112 rejections have been overcome. The applicants have now combined all the recitations of claims 11 and 12 into an amended claim 11, while canceling claim 12. Having done as the Examiner suggested, rejections under 103 should be overcome.

With no outstanding issues remaining, timely allowance of claims 11, 13-30 is requested.

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